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SUBJECT: Florida Public Interest Action Fund
(Proposed corporate name - must include suffix)

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Enclosed is an original and one(1) copy of the articles of incorporation and a check for:

☐ \$70.00
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☐ \$78.75
Filing Fee
& Certificate of Status

☒ \$78.75
Filing Fee
& Certified Copy

☐ \$87.50
Filing Fee,
Certified Copy
& Certificate of
Status

ADDITIONAL COPY REQUIRED

FROM:

Marcia Elder

Name (Printed or typed)

435 E. Washington St.

Address

Monticello, FL 32344

City, State & Zip

(850) 991-2837

Daytime Telephone number

NOTE: Please provide the original and one copy of the articles.

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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

FLORIDA PUBLIC INTEREST ACTION FUND

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The undersigned, being above the age of eighteen (18) years and competent to contract for the purpose of organizing a nonprofit corporation pursuant to Chapter 617 of the laws of the State of Florida, does hereby adopt the following Articles of Incorporation, and does hereby agree and certify as follows:

ARTICLE I

NAME

The name of the corporation shall be Florida Public Interest Action Fund *Inc.*

ARTICLE II

COMMENCEMENT OF CORPORATE EXISTENCE

The Coalition shall commence corporate existence upon the filing of these Articles by the Florida Department of State and shall have perpetual existence unless sooner dissolved according to law.

ARTICLE III

INITIAL PRINCIPAL OFFICE

The initial principal office of the FPIAF shall be located at 435 East Washington Street, Monticello, Florida 32344, and the mailing address is the same.

ARTICLE IV

PURPOSES AND GENERAL POWERS

The purpose of the Florida Public Interest Action Fund is to advocate for State level policies that are consistent with and further the public interest. FPIAF is a 501 (c) (4) organization according to classification by the Internal Revenue Service and is affiliated with the Florida Public Interest Foundation, subscribing to its mission, goals and public interest concerns.

ARTICLE V

INITIAL REGISTERED OFFICE AND AGENT

The initial registered office of the FPIAF shall be located at 435 East Washington Street,

Monticello, Florida 32344, and the initial registered agent of the FPIAF at that address shall be Marcia K. Elder. The FPIAF may change its registered agent or the location of its registered office, or both, from time to time without amendment of these Articles of Incorporation.

ARTICLE VI

INITIAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The initial Board of Directors of the FPIAF shall consist of three (3) directors. The number and manner of election of directors of the FPIAF shall be specified, from time to time, by the By-Laws without amendment of these Articles of Incorporation; provided, however, that the number of directors shall never be less than three (3).

ARTICLE VII

INCORPORATOR

The name and street address of the person signing these Articles of Incorporation as incorporator is:

Marcia K. Elder
435 East Washington Street
Monticello, Florida 32344

ARTICLE VIII

BYLAWS

The power to adopt, alter, amend or repeal bylaws shall be vested in the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE IX

AMENDMENT

The FPIAF reserves the right to amend or repeal any provisions contained in these Articles of Incorporation, or any amendment hereto.

ARTICLE X

ADDITIONAL RESTRICTIONS

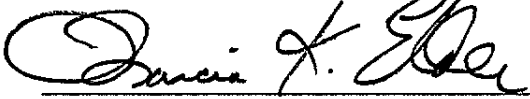
No part of the net earnings of the FPIAF shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to, its directors, officers or other private persons, except that the FPIAF shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in Article IV hereof.

ARTICLE XI

DISSOLUTION

Upon the dissolution of the FPIAF, the Board of Directors shall, after paying or making provisions for the payment of all of the liabilities of the FPIAF, dispose of all of the assets of the FPIAF exclusively for one or more of the purposes of the FPIAF which may include distribution to an organization or organizations organized and operated exclusively for one or more of such purposes, or shall distribute all of the assets of the FPIAF to the federal government, or to a state or local government, for a public purpose. Any assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by the Circuit Court of the county in which the principal office of the FPIAF is then located, exclusively for such purposes or to such organization or organizations, as said court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for one or more of the purposes of the FPIAF.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned do hereby make and file these Articles of Incorporation declaring and codifying that the facts stated herein are true, and hereby subscribe thereto and herewith set their hand and seal this 13 day of February, 2002.



Marcia K. Elder, Incorporator

STATE OF _____

COUNTY OF _____

Before me, a notary public authorized to take acknowledgments in the state and county set forth above, personally appeared Marcia K. Elder known to me and known by me to be the person who executed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation, and who acknowledged before me having executed these Articles of Incorporation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal, in the state and county aforesaid, this ____ day of February, 2002.

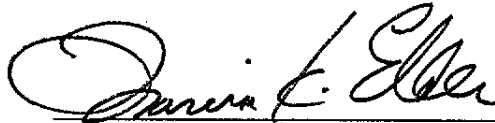
Notary Public
My Commission Expires:

(NOTARY SEAL)

CERTIFICATE DESIGNATING PLACE OF BUSINESS FOR THE
SERVICE OF PROCESS WITHIN FLORIDA AND REGISTERED
AGENT UPON WHOM PROCESS MAY BE SERVED

In compliance with Sections 48.091 and 617.0501, Florida Statutes, the following is submitted:

Florida Public Interest Action Fund, *Inc.*, desiring to organize as a domestic nonprofit corporation and qualify under the laws of the State of Florida has named and designated Marcia K. Elder its Registered Agent to accept service of process within the State of Florida with its registered office located at 435 East Washington Street, Monticello, Florida 32344.



Marcia K. Elder, Incorporator

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

Having been named as Registered Agent for the FPIAF at the place designated in this Certificate, I hereby agree to act in this capacity; and I am familiar with and accept the obligations of Section 617.0501 and 617.0503, Florida Statutes, as the same may apply to the FPIAF; and I further agree to comply with the provisions of Section 48.091, Florida Statutes and all other statutes, all as the same may apply to the FPIAF relating to the proper and complete performance of my duties as Registered Agent.

Dated this 13 day of February, 2002.



Marcia K. Elder, Registered Agent

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